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For : INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM DATA PROCESSING APPARATUS AND DATA RECORDING METHOD

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of October 7, 2008, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on January 7, 2009, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objection and rejections set forth in the Official Action, in view of the herein-contained remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.